

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Title:                      **Method and System for Analysis of Compounds**

**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.